

Counterbalance Park: an Urban Oasis Development

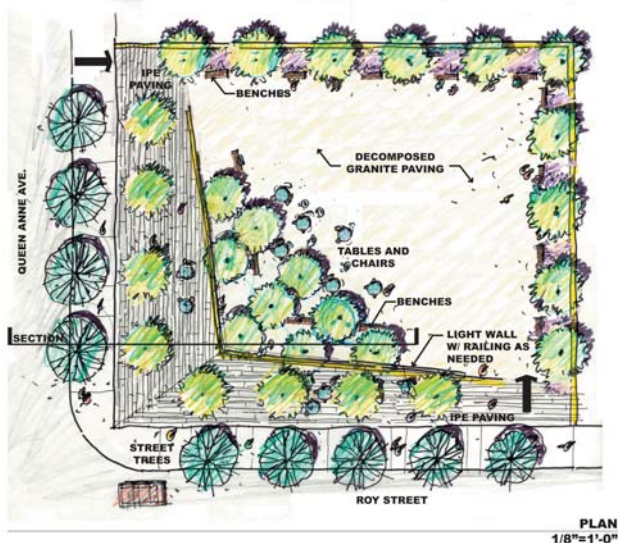
This project develops a 12,000 square foot site on 2 Roy Street at the NE intersection of Queen Anne Ave N and Roy Street into a neighborhood pocket park. This now vacant property was occupied by gas stations from 1922 through 1991. The site was also at the base of the Counterbalance trolley system that linked upper and lower Queen Anne hill until the 1940s. Additional information about the project is available at: <http://www.cityofseattle.net/parks/proparks/projects/queenanneparkdev.htm>

Parks staff, the Uptown Alliance, Murase Associates Landscape Architects, and artist Iole Alessandrini have worked with the community to find bold ideas outside traditional park design to respond to potential site security issues and counteract potential undesirable urban activities in this new park. The Uptown Alliance is committed to an ambitious fundraising plan that will allow the construction of a park that is vibrant, unique and attractive. Counterbalance Park is part of the Mayor's Center City Parks Initiative www.seattle.gov/parks/projects/downtown.asp.

Development Fundraising Goal: \$1 million. Funds raised to date: \$698,500

Friends of the Park contact: Jean Sundborg at Uptown Alliance (206) 733-9435

<i>Pro Parks Levy</i>	\$304,000
Lead gift from Shah Safari, Inc.	\$225,000
Neighborhood Matching Fund	\$100,000
Miller Foundation for horticultural materials	\$45,000
Safeco Foundation	\$10,000
Individual, private donations	\$7,000
Uptown Alliance Executive Committee	\$7,500
TOTAL	\$698,500



For more information:

Project Planner

Patrick Donohue (206) 684-9286

patrick.donohue@seattle.gov

Seattle Parks and Recreation

800 Maynard Avenue S. #300, Seattle, WA 98134-1336



Gregory J. Nickels,
Mayor
City of Seattle

PRO PARKS LEVY

800 Maynard Ave S., 3rd Floor
Seattle, WA 98134-1336
www.cityofseattle.net/parks/proparks/